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## NETWORKING FEASIBILITY STUDY

On January 28, the South Carolina State Library mailed a request for proposal (RFP) for a networking feasibility study to eight vendors. The study, as stipulated in the RFP, will cover the "feasibility of establishing and operating a statewide library network for South Carolina by identifying the potential functions of such a network, the products and services to be derived from it, and the probable cost of alternative network approaches."

In 1979, the Task Force on Library Automation and Networking, representing all types of libraries, was organized to advise the State Library on automation and network planning. The Task Force surveyed the status of library automation in the state. Based on this survey, it was agreed that a statewide library network utilizing computer and telecommunications technology to improve access to library materials throughout the state was a desirable goal. The Task Force then approved the idea of conducting a feasibility study.

It is anticipated that the feasibility study will assist South Carolina's library community in reaching a consensus regarding the structure and functions of a statewide network and will serve as a basis for obtaining any necessary legislative action. The study is to include a plan of action which would identify preliminary steps to be taken prior to the actual network structure and design.

Deadline for receipt of the formal proposal document by the State Library is April 3, with notification to bidders to be made on May 8. John Landrum, Director of Reader Services, is serving as the contact person on the proposal.

### LIBRARY SERVICES

- Service for State government and State agencies
- Consultant for public and institutional libraries
- Service for the Blind and Handicapped
- Reference and research service
- Inter-library loan service
- Scholarships for library training
- Audio-visual and film service
- Library placement bureau
- Government documents
- Publications
- Grants-in-Aid
- Statistical information
- Inter-library cooperation
- Service for the disadvantaged



## STATE LIBRARY BOARD HANDBOOK ISSUED

The State Library has developed a new Handbook for members of the State Library Board. Intended to provide orientation to new members and to serve as an information resource to continuing members of the board, the handbook provides an understanding of the goals, organization and functions of the South Carolina State Library. It provides an historical synopsis of the State Library, its authorizing legislation, organization, funding and budget process, and responsibilities of the State Librarian. By-laws of the State Library Board are supplemented by resource materials on trustee responsibilities and rights. State Library policies are compiled for the convenience of board members. An important section records the laws, regulations, and legal opinions affecting libraries in South Carolina. There are chapters dealing with public libraries in South Carolina, the Library Services and Construction Act, and library organizations. Copies of the South Carolina State Library Board Handbook are available on interlibrary loan for any one interested in examining the compilation.

## PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN IN PROGRESS

During 1981 the South Carolina State Library, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is conducting a public awareness campaign to alert South Carolinians who are unable to read print because of a visual or a physical handicap about its free library services. The Library of Congress, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped has provided the South Carolina State Library with recorded and live copy public service announcements for distribution to radio and television stations in South Carolina. All public service announcements include the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped's statewide toll-free WATS number 1-800-922-7818.

## REPORT ON S.25

Senate bill S.25 proposing repeal of Sections 60-5-10 and 60-7-10 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina has passed the Senate and has been referred to the House. The bill proposes repeal of legislation dealing with the establishment of public libraries which has been superseded by the statewide library act of 1978, Section 4-9-35 et. seq. Action by the House is expected in the next month.

## LSCA UPDATE

The Office of Library and Learning Technologies has released 72% of FY 1981 funds under the Library Services and Construction Act. Appropriations were provided for under continuing resolution H.J. Res. 644 which extends funding until June 5, 1981. The State Library is distributing LSCA funds according to program priorities as outlined in its annual program plan. For South Carolina, 72% of the total LSCA appropriations amounts to \$632,958 for Title I and \$121,787 for Title III. Full funding of LSCA projects will be contingent upon receipt of the remaining 28% of the funds.



## WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON AGING

The White House Conference on Aging is scheduled for November 30 - December 3, 1981, in Washington, D. C. 1,800 delegates are expected to attend to make recommendations to the President and Congress on a national policy on aging. Librarians and library supporters are being urged to participate in the conference and its preliminary activities.

The State conference on aging is slated for May 14-15, 1981 in Columbia. For further information contact: Harry R. Bryan, South Carolina Commission on Aging, 915 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 (Telephone: 758-2576).

During December, the State Library distributed "A Guide to the 1981 White House Conference on Aging" and posters featuring actress Ruth Gordon to public libraries throughout the state. For additional posters which were recently made available, contact Julianne Phillips, Field Service Librarian, South Carolina State Library.

## WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

The White House Conference for Children and Youth will be held in Washington, D. C., December 13-18, 1981. 4,000 delegates are anticipated. As of the present time, no pre-conferences or hearings have been announced. For further information, contact the White House Conference for Children and Youth, Public Information Office, 730 Jackson Place, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006 (202-456-6440).

## HEA-II LIBRARY PROGRAMS REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

Proposed and final regulations, as well as application notices, dealing with Higher Education Act Title II college library, library training, research and demonstrations, special purpose grants, and research library programs were recently published in the December issues of the Federal Register. They are as follows: II-A College Library Resources application notice (December 24, p. 85145-6), II-A proposed regulations (December 23, p. 84950-52), II-B Training program application notice (December 24, p. 85144), II-B Training final regulations (December 24, p. 85422-8), II-B Research and Demonstrations proposed regulations (December 30, p. 86312-5), II-C Research Libraries application notice (December 24, p. 85144-5), and II-C final regulations (December 24, p. 85430-3).

## PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTORS MEET

The Association of Public Library Administrators of South Carolina met at the Quality Inn in Columbia on January 21.

During the morning session, Richard N. Cote, Special Projects Director for the South Carolina Historical Society, discussed the functions and operations of the Society. Existing relations between the Society and public libraries were explained and future possibilities examined.

David Paynter, Director, Florence County Library, announced that a decision had been made not to seek an increase in the 75¢ per capita State Aid level for this year. However, State Aid increases will be pursued at a later year, along with per capita amounts to be based on 1980 census figures.



During the afternoon, several reports were given by State Library staff members. Betty Callaham, State Librarian, gave a legislative status report; James Johnson, Deputy Librarian, discussed latest LSCA developments. A new public relations campaign on library services to the blind and physically handicapped was described by Steve Prine, Director of Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Jane Gardner, Children's Consultant, displayed art work for this year's statewide summer reading club. Julianne Phillips, Field Service Librarian, covered the new computerized annual statistical report summaries and Ron Anderson, Audio-Visual Consultant, distributed the first list of feature films to be added to the State Library's film collection.

Official business then followed. An amendment to the by-laws raised dues to \$25. Catherine Lewis, Director, Horry County Library, was appointed to represent the Association at the South Carolina Association of Counties for a three-year term. Association officers for 1981 are David Paynter, Director, Florence County Library, President; William Cooper, Director, Laurens County Library, Vice-President; Julie Zachowski, Director, Beaufort County Library, Secretary; and Sarah McMaster, Director, Fairfield County Library, Treasurer.

#### PUBLIC LIBRARY NOTES

*Florence County:* The library, in cooperation with the Office of Adult and Community Education, Florence School District 1, is presenting a five-week series of classes on South Carolina history. The series, entitled "Selected Topics on South Carolina's Past," focuses on the impact of national and international events on the state and the Pee Dee region...The library now has a new logo, designed by Nancy Briggs, a commercial artist in Florence...A birthday party for Martin Luther King was held at the Northside Outreach Library in January. During the party, winners of the Martin Luther King Poetry Contest were announced. Admittance to the party, which was attended by the Florence mayor, was a book, article, or picture of Dr. King.

*Georgetown County:* The library exhibited "South Carolina Through the Mails" during December. The show, sponsored by the South Carolina Museum Commission, includes post cards issued during the early twentieth century.

*Greenville County:* Members of the Junior League who volunteered to perform in the puppet theater troupe have been presenting performances of "Cinderella" in conjunction with the library. The puppet show has been held at several locations throughout the county, including pre-school centers, day care centers, and centers for mentally and physically handicapped children...The library, in cooperation with the Friends of the Library, is now offering "Phone-A-Tale," a phone-in storytelling service from the library. The service, formerly offered by Greenville TEC, relays 52 stories, 24 hours a day. The library reports that in a period from August-November, over 33,000 calls were received by the service.

*Horry County:* Catherine Lewis, Library Director, was recently presented the Ernest Edward Richardson Award for distinguished service to the Horry County Historical Society.

*Lexington County:* Dedication ceremonies for the new Irmo branch were held on January 16. The ceremonies were sponsored by the Lake Murray-Irmo Woman's Club that has been working on the project for the past nine years. Participants at the dedication included Mrs. Hartwell West and Mrs. J. D. Crook, Lake Murray-Irmo Woman's Club; Bland Derrick, Chairman, Irmo Library Board; Jane Griffin, Director Lexington County Circulating Library; and Shirley Lubitz, Librarian, Irmo Branch.



Library. The Woman's Club had donated funds for the stacks, part of the furnishings, a copier, refrigerator, and microwave oven. The library, located in the Lexington County Service Center, contains 3,000 square feet and currently holds 26,246 volumes. Construction costs for the building totalled approximately \$137,000.

*Richland County:* The Public Relations Department of the library is currently compiling and distributing a monthly library calendar of events to patrons and friends....Four brief book reviews recorded by the library will be run during February in connection with an evening news broadcast....The library prepared and distributed 2,000 bookmarks on the zodiac sign Capricorn (December 21-January 19). Bookmarks for the other 11 zodiac signs will be prepared and distributed during the appropriate month throughout 1981.

*York County:* The bid to construct a new headquarters library building was awarded to Beam Construction Company of Cherryville, North Carolina. The new library, which will be built next to the Rock Hill City Hall, will double the size of the present 15,000 square foot headquarters. Total cost of the building project, including site preparation, furnishings, and design expenses, are expected to total \$1.99 million. Recently, the County Council gave first reading to a \$1 1/2 million bond issue to finance the project which is expected to take a year to complete...The library held a winter travel film series on the Orient during January. Films for "Portraits of the Orient" were borrowed through the free loan services listed in Educator's Guide to Free Films...The library reports success with its new "Dial-a-Story" service. Since its installation in November, calls have been averaging about 1300 a week at both Rock Hill and York locations. The library will soon install a second unit in Rock Hill to provide additional service...Book reviews of current bestsellers and discussion of library materials on particular topics are being broadcast on a regular basis over the local educational television channel.

## Focusing on Serving Children

From the Desk of the Field Services Librarian for Children's Services:

### NEW BOOKS ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The State Library continually adds new titles relating to serving children in libraries. Among recent acquisitions, is the latest edition of Children's Books Too Good to Miss, compiled originally by May Hill Arbuthnot and now revised by Ruth Hadlow (University Press Books, 1979. 011.62.) This is a very select list of the best in children's books with good annotations. It is a good book for libraries to have for parent browsing. Books for parents seem to be appearing at a regular rate, and Babies Need Books by Dorothy Butler (Atheneum, 1980. 011.6) is another excellent title. Butler discusses children's needs during each pre-school year and gives many suggested titles. She makes a strong case to parents for making books a part of a child's life from infancy. Dorothy Butler has also written Cushla and Her Books (Horn Book, 1980, 028.5). This is a most unusual book again attesting to the value of early and constant exposure to books. It is a case study of Butler's granddaughter, born with multiple handicaps and diagnosed as mildly retarded. Her parents used books extensively to entertain the child and extend her world, and the results were astounding. This would be a valuable book for all parents, but especially for parents of a handicapped child, because it graphically shows how parental dedication can open a brighter future to a child.



## STORYTIME FOR TODDLERS

After visiting the Toddler Story Hour at the James Island Branch of the Charleston County Library recently, I asked branch librarian Marie Putney to share her experience with this program by writing an article for this newsletter. I hope it will stimulate some of you to consider trying programs for very young children in your libraries.

A story hour program for toddlers (ages 18-30 months) is in its second year at the James Island Branch of the Charleston County Library. Parents are asked to register their children who are then assigned to a particular group by age.

Inasmuch as a few months at the toddler age can mean a rapid change in coordination, attention span, etc. and since there has been heavy demand, it has worked well to group the very young together and the somewhat older children in separate groups. It has been found that 10 children plus accompanying adults is a good workable number. With any more than that, the children become distracted by the other children and mothers. However, you can register a few additional people as some will be absent each week.

The mothers are encouraged to stay with the very young and shy children to give them moral support and to be on hand to chase them if they leave the area. However, as the children feel more secure they are encouraged to join others closer to the person reading the story, etc. It is important to get across to the adults that it is perfectly all right for the child to sit and watch what's going on and not participate at all. Countless parents have commented how the child who seemed to be paying no attention at all or refused to participate, went home and began to talk about what had been said or done or tried some of the games.

The sessions are planned to last approximately 20 minutes. We are prepared to go on for 30 minutes if the children seem particularly responsive, especially the older group.

The format for each session is essentially the same, although one has to "play it by ear" to some extent depending on the children who have come.

Each child receives a name tag upon arrival. It helps the librarian to be able to address the children by name. A home-made puppet the size of a small child, also wearing a name tag, is used as an icebreaker. She greets the children and also participates in some of the activities. The children seem to identify with her and ask for her when they come into the building at other times.

The program usually starts with a brief conversation between the puppet and librarian and the children. When they are settled down, some finger plays are done. We start with simple ones like "Pat-a-Cake" and "Hickory Dickory Dock" and teach new ones as the weeks go by. Most of the children have favorites they want to do. We repeat each finger play at least once so that a new child will have a chance to become acquainted with it.

The first books used with the very young are picture books with no real story, e.g. "Animals on the Farm" by Foedor Rojankovsky. The children help identify the animals, possibly imitate their sounds, etc. Other books with simple stories are also used. A favorite is Ruth Carroll's "Where's the Bunny?". Eric Carle's "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" has been very popular with the two year olds. We use Mother Goose Rhymes often because they lend themselves to movements and to being sung. The children have also enjoyed other simple poetry, on occasion. It depends



on their mood. What goes over poorly one day may hold them spellbound the next time.

It is important not to expect too much from this age group. You have to face the fact that playing with the venetian blind cord is more interesting to some child than listening to a story some days. The attention span of the very young is very limited and you have to be prepared to drop what you are doing quickly if the group begins to get restless. We find playing "I'm a Little Teapot", "Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush" or "Row Row Row Your Boat" works wonders.

We end the sessions with Ring around a rosy, the most requested game, and the children know it is time to go home.

Submitted by Marie Putney,  
Branch Librarian

#### CHILDREN AND HOSPITAL WEEK

March 9-15 is Children and Hospital Week. As part of a campaign to make the public more aware of the emotional needs of children and families in health care settings, the Association for the Care of Children's Health is asking libraries to mount displays for children and parents on this subject. Posters, pamphlets, and other materials are available free from: ACCH, 3615 Wisconsin Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20016. You may also wish to check with your local hospital to see if they have more information. You would want to include books such as Curious George goes to the Hospital and other titles about doctors and hospitals in such a display.

#### BUREAU OF CENSUS TO HOLD TRAINING SESSIONS FOR LIBRARIANS

The U. S. Bureau of the Census has scheduled several seminars to assist librarians and information specialists in coping with federal statistical sources. The nearest location to South Carolina for the seminars is Washington, D. C., with seminars slated for May 18-21, 1981, and October 19-22, 1981. The seminars cover demographic and economic census information as well as publications of the Bureau of Economic Analyses, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and other federal agencies issuing statistical information.

For further information, contact the U. S. Bureau of the Census, Data User Service Division, User Training Branch, Washington, D. C. 20233.

#### VITA

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) is a program designed to help low-income, undereducated and handicapped persons, including older Americans, by providing free federal and state income tax preparation. VITA is sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service and supported by the South Carolina Tax Commission. The IRS is currently seeking organizations which would like to become involved in this program. Interested organizations should contact the IRS at 765-5278 and ask for the VITA Coordinator.



## SWAP 'N' SHOP

The Public Relations Section of the American Library Association is again sponsoring a "Swap 'n' Shop" exhibit at the ALA conference in San Francisco on June 30. Librarians are invited to send 70-200 copies of their public relations materials -- flyers, posters, annual reports, bookmarks, or other printed materials to ALA Swap 'n' Shop, Office of Adult Services, San Francisco Public Library, Civic Center, San Francisco, California 94102. During the conference, librarians are invited to examine materials sent in and to discuss particular problems with public relations experts who will be on hand. Copies of the John Cotton Dana Award-winning scrapbooks and audio-visual materials will also be available for examination.

## ALA PUBLICATIONS

The following publications may be ordered from: Order Department, American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

Book numbers: their history, principles, and application. Donald J. Lehnus.  
158 p. \$7.50.

The history of children's literature: a syllabus with selected bibliographies.  
Elva S. Smith. Revised and enlarged. 312 p. \$40.

Young adult literature: background and criticism. Millicent Lenz and Ramona Mahood, editors. 524 p. \$30.

## CALENDAR

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| February 16, 1981    | South Carolina State Library closed.<br>(Washington's Birthday)   |
| March 19, 1981       | South Carolina State Library Board meeting.<br>Columbia: State Library 12 noon.   |
| April 7, 1981        | Legislative Day. Washington, D. C.<br>Contact: David Warren, Richland County<br>Public Library.   |
| April 5-11, 1981     | National Library Week   |
| May 8, 1981          | Workshop on computerized access to<br>government documents. Sponsored by the<br>Government Documents Round Table and<br>On-line Users Group of the South Carolina<br>Library Association. Columbia: Holiday<br>Inn. 9:30 a.m. Contact: Norman Belk,<br>Greenville County Library. |
| June 28-July 4, 1981 | American Library Association annual<br>convention. San Francisco.   |



## NEWS NOTES ON S. C. LIBRARIANS

...JOSEPH F. BOYKIN, JR., has been appointed Director of the Robert Muldrow Cooper Library at Clemson University. Mr. Boykin has been Director of the Library and Associate Professor at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte since 1970. He earned a bachelor's degree in history and a master's degree in library science from Florida State University and has received specialized training in library automation. A former board chairman of Southeastern Library Network, Inc., and past president of the Users Council of OCLC, Inc., Mr. Boykin currently serves on the OCLC Board of Trustees. He is also Secretary of the Southeastern Library Association...CHRIS MURRAY has joined the Technical Services staff of the Richland County Public Library as Chief Cataloger. Mr. Murray earned an undergraduate degree in English and a master's degree in library science from the University of South Carolina...LURLYNE K. SHINN retired on December 31 as Assistant Librarian of the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library after 21 years of service in the library system...CARL STONE, Director, Anderson County Library, was recently elected Vice-President/President-Elect of the Reference and Adult Services Division of the Southeastern Library Association...SYLVIA DAWKINS WHITE has been appointed Director of the Allen University Library. Mrs. White received her master's degree in library science from North Carolina Central University...DIANE WILLIAMS has joined the Community Services Department of the York County Library. Formerly associated with the library's Children's Department, she will now have responsibility for planning and implementing children's services in all library locations and will also serve as a liaison with day care centers, kindergartens, and schools. Mrs. Williams recently earned her master's degree in library science from the University of South Carolina...

## NEWS OF TRUSTEES AND FRIENDS GROUPS

Newly-elected officers of the Chester County Library Board are Anne Pickens Collins, Chairman, and Lucia Bell, Vice-Chairman. Bill Marion is a new member to the board.

The Friends of the Conway Library held an open meeting on January 11. John O'Dohnerty, USC Coastal Carolina faculty member, spoke on women's rights.

New members to the Florence County Library Board of Trustees are Katherine Beasley, and Mrs. J. C. Gregg.

Officers of the Friends of the Florence County Library for 1981-82 are Mary Davidson, President; Jean Robertson, Vice-President; and Mary McNulty, Secretary-Treasurer. The Friends group recently adopted a logo as a result of a Friends-sponsored contest at local high schools.

Mary Balle is a new member to the Laurens County Library Board.

Newly-elected officers to the York County Library Board for 1980-81 are H. Sanford Howie, Jr., Chairman; Thomas B. Haley, Vice-Chairman; Gladys Barron, Secretary; and Robert E. Sibley, Treasurer.

## SYMPATHY

To the family of Mrs. Louise Lawton Vincent who recently died. Mrs. Vincent is survived by her son, Dr. Hugh E. Vincent, Jr., a member of the South Carolina State Library Board.



To Mrs. Eloise Gowder, whose husband, George O. Gowder, died January 12. Mrs. Gowder is a member of the Berkeley County Library staff.

#### CAROLINIANA

Boddie, William Willis. History of Williamsburg. Something about the people of Williamsburg County, South Carolina, from the first settlement by Europeans about 1705 until 1923. Originally published, Columbia, South Carolina, 1923. Spartanburg: Reprint Company, 1980. \$35.00. 609 p.

Chapman, John A. History of Edgefield County from the earliest settlements to 1897. Originally published, Newberry, South Carolina, 1897. Spartanburg: Reprint Company, 1980. \$30.00. 521 p.

Derrick, Naomi. Speedy finds happiness. New York: Vantage Press, 1980. \$4.95. Children's book by former high school librarian in Charleston County.

Lentz, Ginny. Catch of the day: Southern seafood secrets: formerly Fripp Island fare. Charleston: Catch-of-the-day, Southern Seafood Secrets, 1979. \$4.95.

McMaster, Fitz Hugh. History of Fairfield County, South Carolina. From before the white man came to 1942. Originally published Columbia, South Carolina, 1946. Spartanburg: Reprint Company, 1980. 220 p. \$16.50.

Perry, Benjamin F. The writings of Benjamin F. Perry. Edited by Stephen E. Meats and Edwin T. Arnold, with introduction, explanatory notes and new consolidated index. Volume 1: Essays, public letters, and speeches. Volumes 2 & 3: Reminiscences of public men. Spartanburg: Reprint Company, 1980. (These volumes were published as no. 6 in the South Caroliniana Series: Bibliographical and Textual, Dr. James B. Meriwether, Series Editor). Volumes 1-3, \$35.00 each.

Richardson, James M. History of Greenville County, South Carolina. Originally published Atlanta, Georgia 1930. Spartanburg: Reprint Company, 1980. 350 p. \$22.50.

Wallace, David Duncan. Papers of David Duncan Wallace, 1874-1951. Charleston: South Carolina Historical Society, 1980. \$350.00. Microfiche copy of the original manuscripts in the South Carolina Historical Society Manuscript Collection.

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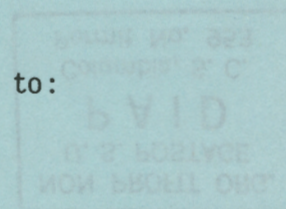
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